1	2	3
4.	Gujarat	53.30
5.	Jharkhand	41.00
6.	Haryana	38.00
7.	Punjab	16.00

Emission reduction commitment

1882. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY:
SHRI NANDAMURI HARIKRISHNA:
SHRI PENUMALLI MADHU:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) how his Ministry justifies its offer for submitting an annual report to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change giving details of the country's greenhouse gas emissions and the steps taken to reduce it;

(b) whether this would not be a deviation from India's stand that domestic measures to counter climatic change will not be subject to international verification;

(c) if so, the reasons for such a shift in Government's policy; and

(d) the countries that are now submitting their annual report to UNFCCC?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) India is a party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). As per Article 12 of the UNFCCC, all Parties of UNFCCC are expected to communicate elements of information relating to national inventory of GHG emissions and general description of steps taken or envisaged by the Parties to implement the convention in accordance with the relevant decisions of the Conference of Parties (COP). India has submitted its initial National Communication (NATCOM) to the UNFCCC in the year 2004 and is currently engaged in the preparation of second NATCOM to UNFCCC.

(b) and (c) India has taken a consistent stand in the international negotiations that mitigation actions of developing countries will be subject to international verification only to the extent that these are supported by international finance and technology.

(d) National Communications are submitted by Parties according to periodicity prescribed by the Conference of Parties through relevant COP Decisions. Annex I Parties submit NATCOM every 4 years and national inventories of GHG emission every 2 years. The non Annex I Parties submit NATCOM in accordance with the decisions of COP and there is no defined periodicity for submission of NATCOM.